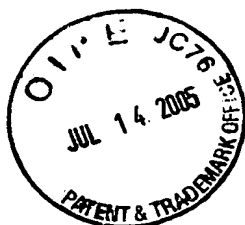


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Sir:

The present application was filed September 8, 2003. Please advise what is the status of, and when the Examiner is expected to reach the above-identified application for examination.

We would appreciate a response as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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